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2. [ ] Discussed with Representative Henderson the Ervin bill problem. He repeated his strong support for a complete exemption for the Agency, but explained he was under heavy pressure from Senator Ervin to report out the bill and said he would have to do so in a few weeks. He suggests that it would be helpful if Representatives Rivers and Mahon would write separate letters to each Subcommittee member rather than a single letter to the Chairman supporting a complete exemption for the Agency. He believes a majority of his Subcommittee will support an exemption for the Agency, but strongly urges that we get both Rivers and Mahon to try to bring Representative Richard White into line. Henderson said he was mystified why other Government agencies weren't more concerned over the bill, which could create serious administrative and disciplinary problems throughout the Executive Branch.

I offered to give Henderson backup material but he said he preferred we wait until we could give him our formal position with BOB approval.

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25X1 3. [ ] Met with Ralph Preston, Staff Assistant, House Appropriations Committee, and gave him the OER paper on the effects of the war on the Cambodian economy, in which the Committee had expressed an interest.

I told Preston of Chairman Henderson's suggestion that a letter to each member of the Henderson Subcommittee supporting an exemption from S. 782 for the Agency would be useful. Preston said he would see if Mahon would be willing to write separate letters rather than a single letter to the Chairman.

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12. [redacted] Frank Slatinshek, Assistant Chief Counsel, House Armed Services Committee, called to say Chairman Rivers had sent a letter to Chairman Henderson, House Manpower and Civil Service Subcommittee, requesting a complete exemption for the Agency from S. 782 (Ervin bill).

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Item 10 - Bruce Clarke  
Item 11 - Mr. Coffey  
Item 1 - [redacted]

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